

SENATOR MARVEL: Senator Cope.

SENATOR COPE: Mr. President, members. I think one point we have overlooked, and I think a plus, is the Clay Center Research Center to work in conjunction with this proposed site for this item that we're talking about. I think that should be used very extensively if we need anymore selling to our national representatives, too.

SENATOR MARVEL: The motion is the Lewis amendment to the resolution. It needs 25 votes. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We're talking about the Lewis amendment now.

CLERK: Read Lewis amendment.

SENATOR MARVEL: Voting aye, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Marvel voting aye.

SENATOR MARVEL: Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays.

SENATOR MARVEL: Motion carried. The amendment is adopted. Now we go to Senator Luedtke's motion to adopt the resolution as amended. Senator Luedtke, do you have any other comments?

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Yes. Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Just one closing comment. I think it is interesting to note that the only excuse that the United States Department of Agriculture officials make is that this particular decision to put this lab in St. Louis will "effect the smallest number of U.S.D.A. employees". In other words, they're going to pay more attention to a few federal employees than they are to the people who are to be served, the taxpayers in this part of the country when St. Louis is located clear to the Eastern edge, almost off of the edge of the people to be served by this type of a facility. This is an absurd statement. Anybody who was present, when the arguments were made for where this plant should be located...this lab site should be located, knows that this is true. Then the fact that they were arguing that this particular lab was essentially in St. Louis now, that is not true. This is an entirely new type facility. That is why it belonged in Lincoln, or in Ames, where you have the agricultural backup of the University of Nebraska or the University of Iowa State, whichever the case might be. It so happened they decided it should be Lincoln. That is where it should stay. The arguments, of course, naturally we are prejudiced, those of us who live in Lincoln. We feel that the prejudice should all be in favor of the people in this part of the country that need this facility. I strongly urge that you vote for this resolution.

SENATOR MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of LR 82, as amended. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Voting aye, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Marvel voting aye.

SENATOR MARVEL: Have you all voted? Clerk, record.